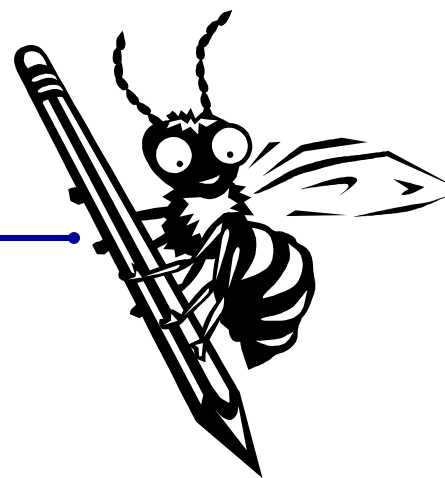


Youth Services Notes



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Literacy and Program Grants

The 2010 Target Store Grant program, a giving effort of the retail chain's foundation, will focus funding on childhood literacy and arts and culture grants of \$2,000 each. Applicants will be notified by September 1.

The Early Childhood Reading category funds programs that foster a love of reading and encourage young children (pre-K-3) to read together with their families.

The Arts and Culture in Schools category funds in-school arts programs that enhance students' classroom curriculum by bringing in arts and cultural experiences. This includes in-school performances, artist-in-residency programs and workshops.

For these grants, your contact your local Target Store for an application. Deadline for applications is April 30.

If you are interested in applying for the Early Childhood Reading Category some research to look at:

Early childhood Reading Resources - on Target website

http://sites.target.com/site/en/company/page.jsp?contentId=WCMPo4-031773&ref=sr_shorturl_readysitread

Early Beginning Early Literacy Knowledge and Instruction : A guide for early childhood administrators and professional development providers

By the National Institute for Literacy
found at

<http://www.nifl.gov/publications/pdf/NELPEarlyBeginnings09.pdf> or
<http://www.nifl.gov> and do a search "Early Beginnings"

International Reading Association

- Developmentally Appropriate Practices for Young Children
see page 8
- Literacy Development in the Preschool Years
Found at www.reading.org/Resources/ResourcesByTopic/BeginningReaders/Overview.aspx

Early Literacy Storytimes @ your Library: Partnering with Caregivers for Success

by Saroj Nadkarni Ghoting and Pamela Martin-Díaz

What Young Children Need to Succeed: Working Together to build Assets from Birth to Age 11

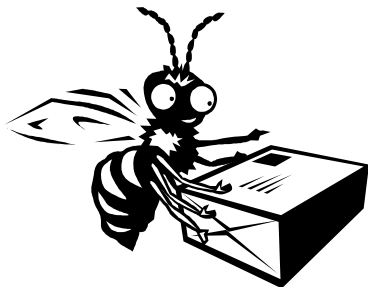
by Jolene L. Roehlkepartain and Nancy Leffert

If you are interested in Arts and Culture in Schools — work with your schools or local PTO to bring in educational artists. The library could be the agency that offers the community portion of the grant application and with outreach to Headstart and other early childhood organizations.

Points of Interest

- **Winter Reading Program**
A generic reading book log is available for libraries to download and use at <http://virginialibraries.pbworks.com/>
- **Summer Reading Program Resources**
are available for downloading from the Library of Virginia's Virginia Public Library Extranet
 - ☒ Video Clips
 - ☒ Radio Announcement
 - ☒ Music and Lyrics
 - ☒ Clip artwww.vpl.lib.va.us/youth/programs/srp/index.asp
- **Winter Reading Program**
When your program is completed - May I please have pictures, news releases and final numbers of participation for your winter reading program?
Last year I used this information to create a scrapbook, which was shown to the LVA board and LVA Foundation.

from PubYac



YALSA has revised **Young Adults Deserve the Best: Competencies for Serving Youth**, a set of guidelines last published in 2004. The competencies were streamlined and updated to reflect changes in youth services over the past five years. They are available online at www.ala.org/yalsa/competencies and can be downloaded as a PDF.

YALSA developed the competencies for individuals and institutions, offering librarians guidelines for providing quality library service in collaboration with teenagers and giving libraries a framework to improve overall service capacities and increase public value to their respective communities.

With the help of my co-workers and friends on the PUBYAC listserv, I have found/compiled a list of activities for a **39 Clues program**.

De-coding secret messages and clues are an integral part of the series and make for some really fun activities that kids love. I created a message in Morse code for the kids to solve. The message is a clue to a hidden envelope that will be a puzzle that, when reassembled will be a map to a hidden treasure.

I also came across this fun activity that I don't know if we'll have time to do but looks fun.

A Couple of Sardines: You'll have to pick someone to play the murderer and have everyone else group up in pairs for this silly Murder Mystery party game. Before the game starts choose a pair of players to go hide while the rest of the players wait for thirty seconds. Then let the paired up players go and hunt for the missing team while the murderer waits an additional thirty seconds before starting after all the teams. The point of the game is for the paired teams to avoid the murderer while they look for the hidden players. Once each team finds where the first team hid they must squeeze into the hiding space with them. The hiding space will get a bit crowded during the murder mystery party games, but that's why this game is named after Sardines. Any pair of players caught by the murderer is out. The murder mystery party game ends when the murderer finds everyone's single hiding place.

Another activity that correlates to the book is **map reading and geography**. Teams will be given a sheet of country outlines and a word bank and will use a world map to correctly identify the country. The first team to finish with the most correct answers will win a prize which is a dip in our treasure chest. For the craft activity, each child will receive a foam covered notebook to decorate and use to collect and record clues, etc from their own adventures. Here is a list of places where I found free worksheets and information.

- ☑ www.eduplace.com<<http://www.eduplace.com/>>
- ☑ <http://www.tlsbooks.com/mapskills.pdf>
- ☑ <http://www.tlsbooks.com/mapskills2.pdf>
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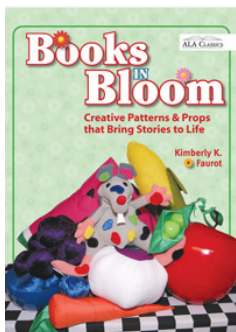
Shawna Pershing — Kennedy Library Youth Services Department, IN

I have created a new sharing group for librarians who do children's Spanish (or Spanish/English bilingual) programming. It is called LIBROS which stands for Librarians Interested in Bilingual Resources Or Spanish Programming Ideas. It is pretty "bare bones" at this point so we need lots of members to join and contribute!

If you are interested in joining this group or would like more information, please send your name, e-mail address, and the name of your library to: tbirkholz@gailborden.info Please pass this information on to anyone who might be interested.

Tina Birkholz — Coordinator of Hispanic Family Services, Gail Borden Public Library, IL

Upcoming Workshops



Bringing Your Storytimes to Life Using Puppets and Pizzazz

Presented by

Kimberly Faurot

9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Abingdon - Monday, April 26, 2010

Lynchburg - Tuesday, April 27, 2010

Chinn Park - Thursday, April 29, 2010

Richmond - Friday, April 30, 2010

**Registration
closes April 1**

Kimberly Faurot is the author of **Books in Bloom: Creative Patterns & Props that Bring Stories to Life**, **Mother Goose Rhyme Time series** and **Storytime Around the Year**. Kim will showcase different methods of presenting children's literature in alternative ways, as well as suggestions for creatively integrating early literacy concepts into storytime programming. Both simple and complex presentation ideas will be included, as well as an overview of rudimentary puppetry techniques. Her books will be sold at the workshop. Cost \$25.00 (includes light brunch and box lunch)

To register for the workshop go to <http://host5.evanced.info/lva/evanced/eventcalendar.asp> and click on date of the program. For more information, contact Enid Costley.

I am Moving, I am Learning

I Am Moving, I Am Learning, a successful initiative of the Office of Head Start Region III, reinforces the fact that being physically fit fosters healthy early childhood development and successful learning. Plus moving and kinesthetic learning is fun! During this training workshop, you will learn strategies and resources for integrating and incorporating movement and healthy nutrition choices within a preschool program and/or Head Start curricula. Cost \$25.00 (includes light brunch and box lunch) **To register for the workshop go to <http://host5.evanced.info/lva/evanced/eventcalendar.asp> and click on the date of the program**

May 3 Franklin
May 21 Wytheville

May 6 Lynchburg
May 25 Richmond

May 11 Culpeper
May 27 Woodridge



Virginia Library Association

Paraprofessional Forum Annual Conference

May 16-18, 2010

The Holiday Inn Select / Koger South Conference Center
Richmond, Virginia.

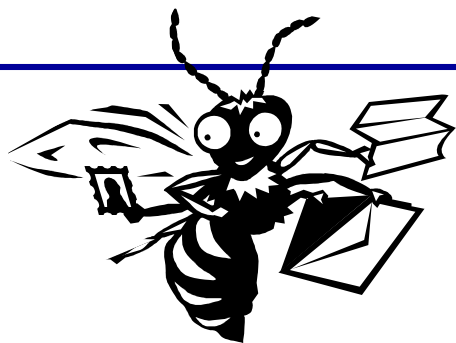
The preliminary program and hotel/conference registration forms may be accessed at www.vla.org

Free Webinar

Sizzling Summer Reading: Programming Tips and Titles for Children and Teens

Tuesday, March 30, 2010, 2:00 to 3:00 EST

For more information see <http://host5.evanced.info/lva/evanced/eventcalendar.asp>



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Newberry Medal Committee

I'm very excited to be on the ALA/ALSC ballot for the 2012 Newbery Medal committee. The prospect of being on the committee is thrilling for me and I would love the opportunity to serve the profession in this way. If you are an ALSC member, or know any ALSC members that you would consider passing this on to, I would very much appreciate your votes. The election opens on March 16th and closes on April 23rd. Thank you!!

Laura Amos Family & Youth Services Librarian
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Back Issues of Youth Services Notes

To see back issues of **Youth Services Notes**, go to
<http://virginialibraries.pbworks.com/>

National Library Week

National Library Week will be observed April 11-17, 2010 with the theme, "Communities Thrive @ your library." Posters and other promotional materials are available through the ALA Graphics Catalog and at www.ala.org/nlw/

Monday, April 12 - "The State of America's Libraries" report will be released.

Tuesday, April 13 - Celebrate ALA-APA's National Library Workers Day

Wednesday, April 14 - Celebrate the first annual National Bookmobile Day

Wednesday, April 14 - ALA's Office for Intellectual Freedom will release the "Top 10 Most Challenged Books of 2009" list. Visit the Banned Books Week Web site.

Thursday, April 15 - Celebrate YALSA's Support Teen Literature Day

Library Advocacy Day

ALA will be hosting a national Library Advocacy Day (LAD) rally on Tuesday, June 29.

LAD will bring together thousands of librarians, trustees, friends and library supporters starting at 11:00am at the United States Park on the U.S. Capitol grounds. Each state will rally with banners and signs supporting libraries! We'd love for you to be part of your state delegation and to visit congressional offices after the rally.

Please plan to join us on Tuesday, June 29 for Library Advocacy Day! Visit www.ala.org/lad for more information and to get started.

Looking for Performers?

A listing of performers is located in the **Resource Directory** on the Library Extranet at <http://www.vpl.lib.va.us/resources/rd-index.asp> The Resource Directory contains speakers, artist and performers and it is updated every 18 months. Use the pull down menus to find the contact information.

